

A PAGE OF AMERICAN WAR NEWS

FRENCH REFUGEES
THANK AMERICANS
FOR SENDING FOOD

Gifts Enabled Them to Exist
for Four Years While
Under the Germans.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Sept. 7.—Forty-three refugees, men, women and children from the village of Recourt, near Cambrai, today asked the United Press to convey to America their gratitude for food which sustained them for four years, while they were in the hands of the German army.

Standing on a hill slope far behind the lines, taking in the country unmarred by war and a peaceful village with its roofs undamaged by shells, they expressed gratitude for their deliverance by the British, the kindly hospitality of French villagers and the very sound of their native tongue. They said they had heard the German language until their own sounded almost strange.

The refugees declared they were grateful to Holland, Spain and to the Americans who had devoted themselves for three years to feeding the people behind the enemy lines.

"The Germans know they're beaten," said one. "Many told us it now makes no difference who beats Germany—England, France or America. What they want is to be freed from their part in it."

This, it was pointed out, was the tone of the common soldier. The officers argued that Germany is bound to win. For two years, the villagers related, they had disputed about the war in friendly fashion with their unwelcome guests.

"We never doubted that some day we would be freed and as we were willing to endure as long as necessary, knowing only one end was possible," they declared. They said the Germans had treated them respectfully. Once early in the war when food supplies were inadequate, the women organized a sort of strike, refusing to wash clothes or care for the rooms occupied by German officers unless conditions were improved. They won the strike.

However, it was asserted that sometimes the Germans substituted inferior flour for that sent them by relief societies, and gave them too much sauer-kraut, which they suspected was being substituted for Spanish and Dutch food.

When ill, the German military doctors attended them. The chief hardship, they said, was the long wait for the turn in events. None had heard from a son, father or brother in the French army since the outbreak of war. Not one of them had any idea of what had become of their men folk.

First news of America's participation in the war, they declared, was a belittling article in the Gazette des Ardennes two months ago. Final confirmation of America's strength was received from a German soldier who copied the official figures which were sent to his officers. The soldier told all his comrades, with the result that they were much cheered. Most of them said it meant an earlier peace.

BOTH AIR MAIL FLYERS
REACH CHICAGO, BUT LATE

Miler Requires Nearly 37 Hours for
Trip—Gardner Forced Down
in Indiana.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Edward V. Gardner, pilot of the second airplane with mail from New York, arrived at Grant Park at 7:30 A. M. today. He spent last night at Westville, Ind.

Although he experienced many delays, Gardner's actual flying time from New York to Chicago was said to have been ten hours.

Gardner left New York Thursday several hours after Max Miller, who arrived here with mail at 7:05 o'clock last night.

Regular airmail service between Chicago and New York will be started Oct. 1, post-office officials announced today. According to plans, the regular service will be undertaken by pilots who will fly in 150-mile relays. The proposed delivery time between Chicago and New York will be ten hours.

A telegram from Washington to the New York Post Office today announced the arrival of Gardner and Miller at Chicago and added that they may start back Monday but no definite plan had been made.

GEN. HORVATH JOINS CZECHS.
Action Promotes Quick Solution of
Troublesome Questions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Gen. Horvath, leader of a large faction of Russianism in Siberia and for many years manager of the Chinese Eastern Railroad, has gone to Irkutsk and joined forces with Czech-Slovaks, according to authoritative information reaching Washington today. This removes the most troublesome national differences among the anti-Bolshevik elements now virtually controlling Siberia and promises a quick solution of the Governmental problem in that section of the world.

Every man of eighteen to forty-five years old, except those already registered, must register for the selective draft Sept. 12.

French Red Cross Uses Airplane Ambulances
To Transport Severely Wounded Soldiers

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ALL-AMERICAN CONGRESS
CANDIDATE IS RULED OFF

Webster, Said to Be on One Ticket
in New Jersey and Two in
Illinois, Loses in Court.

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 7.—William Grant Webster, one of the Republican candidates for Congress at the primaries in the Tenth New Jersey District, and who, it is believed, is the same man running in the Tenth Illinois District and also running for Congressmen-at-large in that State, failed to appear today before Chief Justice Summers to answer a rule to show why his name should not be stricken from the list.

After hearing several witnesses, Justice Summers ordered the name stricken from the New Jersey list of candidates. It was said Webster had never been a resident of New Jersey. His home is said to be at No. 4711 Kenmore Avenue, Chicago.

A. W. Gillette, Superintendent of the Law and Order Enforcement League of Chicago, testified to having called at No. 4711 Kenmore Avenue and discussing with Webster his candidacy in the Tenth Illinois District. There was no discussion of the Webster candidacy in New Jersey. During the conversation, however, Webster said that as members of Parliament in England could run in districts where they did not live, there was no reason why a person could not run for Congress in any State in the United States, as the law governing such candidates was taken from the old English law.

GERMAN MINE IS CAPTURED
OFF FIRE ISLAND BEACH

Defective Wire Found to Have Pre-
vented Explosion of Trap Re-
cently Laid by U. Boat.

BABYLON, L. I., Sept. 7.—An abnormally constructed mine of German type, thought to have been placed off Fire Island by the submarine which recently operated in those waters, was found floating just off the State Park Beach at Fire Island today.

It was towed in by the crew of a patrol boat stationed at the inlet. A defective wire had prevented the mine from exploding.

Engineers who took the destructive machine apart said that it weighed about 200 pounds and cost probably \$1,500.

CAPT. DAVIS, REPORTED
SLAIN, IS SAFE IN U. S.

Casualty List in Error as Regards
Vice President of Island
Creek Coal Company.

In this afternoon's casualty list appears the name of Capt. Joseph E. Davis, reported as having been killed in action. The official list is in error, because Capt. Davis was in New York last Tuesday, on which day he left for Washington with his wife.

Capt. Davis spent several months in France, where he was in charge of recruitment. He is Vice President of the Island Creek Coal Company, No. 1 Broadway, and lived at Roslyn, L. I.

27TH DIVISION BOY WOUNDED

Private Murphy of Hempstead, one of
Three Brothers in Service.

Private Herbert T. Murphy, member of Company A, 27th Infantry, 27th Division, was seriously wounded August 14, according to word received by his sister, Miss Mary Murphy, of Walnut Street, Hempstead, L. I.

Murphy, who is 19 years old, is the youngest of three brothers all of whom are in service in France. He is the fifth boy from Hempstead to be injured.

BANKER PIRNITZER
FACES INTERNMENT
AS ENEMY ALIEN

Recommendation Made by
Head of Alien Board After
Inquiry Into His Activities

Internment as a dangerous enemy alien was recommended today for Julius Pirnitzer, former President of the Transatlantic Trust Company, who was taken in custody by the Government six weeks ago and since that time has been held at the Raymond Street Jail.

In making this recommendation Rufus W. Sprague, head of the New York Enemy Alien Bureau, stated that Government officials lately learned that Pirnitzer had confidential relations with Capt. Franz von Bittell, alleged German spy; Capt. von Papen, who was Military Attache of the German Embassy at Washington; former Austrian Ambassador Dumba; Baron von Zwiernitz, who was Charge d'Affaires of the Hungarian Embassy, and the Austrian-Hungarian Consul General in this city, von Nibau.

One communication Federal agents found, according to Mr. Sprague, was written by Pirnitzer to Von Bittell and referred to a patent on an explosive that would not be sold to any government at war with Austria.

Records found also showed that the banker had made reports of his business to the Hungarian Postal Savings Bank as late as December, 1917. Mr. Sprague said, and these documents were of great assistance to Germany. It was further asserted by Mr. Sprague that Pirnitzer offered his services to Austria as late as last January.

Pirnitzer was born in Austria in 1876. He has two brothers serving in the Austrian army. Mr. Sprague said Pirnitzer also served in the Austrian army and then held various semi-official commercial positions for the United States. He came to this country in 1911.

When the Transatlantic Company was taken over by the Enemy Alien Custodian the Government took charge of 74 per cent of stock owned by Hungarian institutions. Mr. Sprague said. These institutions, Federal officials assert, were the Hungarian Bankers' Trust Company, Hungarian General Credit Bank and the Hungarian Discount Trade Bank.

Pirnitzer received a salary of \$20,000 a year.

Lowenstein will file.

Estate of Cotton Merchant Divided
Among Relatives.

The will of the late Morris Lowenstein, cotton merchant, who died Sept. 2, filed today with the surrogate, bequeaths to his widow a \$5,000 annuity in addition to \$10,000 cash, his automobile and household effects and a one-seventh interest in stock, stocks and bonds. To his four daughters he left besides cash bequests, the remainder of the estate to be divided among his grandchildren.

The official of the estate of Manuel Oppenheimer, who died Dec. 6, 1917, filed today, makes the total assets of \$218,896.

Every man of eighteen to forty-five years old, except those already registered, must register for the selective draft Sept. 12.

FIND ALLEGED ABSCONDING
POSTMASTER IN WAR CAMP

Clifton Parsons of Long Beach,
Who Disappeared Year Ago, Said
to Be Short \$2,500.

Clifton Parsons, alleged absconding postmaster of Long Beach, has been found doing military duty under the assumed name of Christopher Allen in a New Jersey camp and will be brought to Brooklyn for arraignment. It was said at the United States District Attorney's office today.

More than a year ago Parsons disappeared and it was charged he was \$2,500 short in his accounts. He had been playing the races, before high and spending much money before he disappeared. The Post Office Inspectors traced him to the home of his wife in Erie, Pa., and from there to Jersey City, where he was doing guard duty along the docks. He was held in \$3,000 bail.

Abraham Commander of No. 147 Grafton Street, Brooklyn, a clerk of the Convey Island Post Office, was arrested today charged with stealing postal mail.

BUSINESS QUESTIONNAIRE
ORDERED AS SUPPLEMENT

Professional and Banking Exemptions
for Sept. 12 Men to Be
Claimed on New Form.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—A supplement to the questionnaire which men between eighteen and forty-five will be required to fill out after they register next Thursday has been ordered by Provost Marshal General Crowder to provide information necessary for the granting of occupational exemptions under the broader provisions of the new law.

In order to get all the nearly 15,000,000 questionnaires out in time printing had to be commenced before Congress passed the act. Consequently the documents do not include a section to fix the status of men entitled to claim the new business, professional or banking exemptions.

Shipbuilding remains as the one virtually exempted industry.

PRINCE OF WAGRAM KILLED.

Descendant of Famous Field
Marshal Beutler Died in Battle.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—(Havas).—Capt. Alexander Beutler, Prince and Duke of Wagram, who last June was officially reported to be missing and who was believed to be a prisoner in the hands of the Germans, was killed on the battlefield, according to the Echo de Paris.

The Captain was 35 years old and was a descendant of the famous Field Marshal Beutler of the Napoleonic wars.

U. S. ARMY OFFICERS BACK.

200 Who Have Been in Service
Abroad Will Train Troops.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 7.—Two hundred American army officers who have seen service on the battle front in France arrived here today and will be assigned to various army camps to train newly drafted men.

The steamships on which the officers came also brought 299 sick and wounded soldiers.

FIND BODIES OF TWO GIRLS.

Police Recover Victims of Rowboat
Accident at 140th Street.

The police of Harbor A today recovered the bodies of two girls who were lost in the rowboat accident at 140th Street on Sept. 1.

They were identified as Margaret Smith, fifteen years old, of No. 311 Riverside Drive, and Ruth H. Carpenter, sixteen years old, daughter of Howard S. Carpenter of No. 345 West 150th Street.

293 NAMES ARE REPORTED
ON ARMY'S CASUALTY ROLLS;
TOTAL NOW EXCEEDS 30,000

27 Are Killed in Action, 234 Wounded, 15
Dead of Wounds and 13 Missing on
Pershing's Lists.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Two lists of army casualties given out today give a total of 293 names. Of these 27 were killed in action, 13 are missing in action, 161 are wounded severely, 15 died of wounds, 2 died from accident and other causes, 49 are wounded, degree undetermined, and 1 wounded slightly. This brings the total of all American casualties up to 30,172.

The first of today's lists of 145 names is divided as follows: Killed in action, 14; missing in action, 7; wounded severely, 78; died of wounds, 9; died from accident and other causes, 2; wounded, degree undetermined, 36.

In the second list of 148 names, 12 were killed in action, 8 are missing in action, 46 are wounded severely, 6 died of wounds, 34 wounded, degree undetermined, and 1 wounded slightly.

No casualties are listed for the Marine Corps.

The total of American casualties, 30,172, are divided as follows: Killed in action, 6,114; severely wounded, 15,901; missing in action, including prisoners, 3,424; died of wounds, 1,579; died from accident and other causes, 789; wounded, degree undetermined, 2,153; died of disease, 325.

The lists follow:

KILLED IN ACTION.
Captain.
DAVIS, Joseph E., Roslyn, N. Y.
Sergeant.
ZIMMERMAN, Henry, Ontario, Wis.

Corporals.
GRUDNOKOVSKI, Max R., Farnham, N. Y.
BIEBERG, Thomas, Cedar Rapids, Neb.
KIRKPATRICK, R. C., Detroit, Mich.

Privates.
MILES, Daniel J., Dayton, N. Y.
FLANNERY, Robert, Warren, Pa.
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"JIMMY" DWYER WOUNDED,
TRIED IN VAIN TO SAVE PAL
OF OLD 69TH ON THE OIRCO

Sheephead Boy Writes Germans
Ran Faster Than "Stump" Gillan
When Chased by Cop.

"Jimmy" Dwyer, well known in Sheephead Bay, is wounded in France. His mother has not been officially notified, but a letter received from him last night says that he is resolute in both legs and that he is recovering rapidly. "Jimmy" is nineteen and is with Company B of the 165th (old 69th) New York Regiment.

He was wounded in the battle of the Chure, and after he was shot tried to drag his chum, Corporal "Mike" Tierney, off the field, but was too weak for the job. He doesn't know what became of Mike.

In a letter to a pal "Jimmy" says that the Germans ran faster than "Stump" Gillan did "the day the big cop was after him on 16th Street." He was on top of one of them when another got him.

Jim has two brothers in the service and a sister in the Quartermaster's Department in this city. His father was the late Valentine Dwyer, a retired farmer of Sheephead Bay.

Thompson, Grand Rapids, Mich.; W. G. Tenney, Boston; H. T. Montague, Jersey City; O. Olsen, International Falls, Minn.; T. E. O'Connor, Hoboken, Mass.; C. K. Lasky, Bradock, Pa.; P. G. Mohr, Hawaii; M. Mitchell, San Diego, Cal.; J. Higgs, Lowell, Mass.; C. Ham, Goddard, Ky.; S. W. Croft, Schuylkill, Pa.; H. Forney, Massachusetts; J. K. Baxter, Syracuse, N. Y.; J. K. Baxter, Syracuse, N. Y.

WOUNDED SLIGHTLY.
Lieutenant.
RICHARDSON, Lawrence B., Potomac, Pa.

WOUNDED (DEGREE UNDETERMINED).
Lieutenant.
PARK, William, New York, N. Y.

Privates.
GILMAN, James R., Schuylkill, Pa.
BLANK, John L., New York, N. Y.

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WIFE OF ITALIAN
ENVOY CHRISTENS
NEW U. S. SHIP

Countess Macchi di Cellere
Sponsor at Launching of
Piave at Kearny, N. J.

The Countess Macchi di Cellere, wife of the Italian Ambassador to the United States, was sponsor at the launching of the American steamer Piave at the Federal ship-building plant at Kearny, N. J., at 11:20 o'clock this morning. The vessel, of 8,600 tons, was named for the river in Italy at which the Italian armies stopped a drive by Austrian and German forces. The Piave is 410 feet long.

Addresses were made by the Italian Ambassador, Gov. Edge of New Jersey, and Robert McGregor, Superintendent of the yards. Representatives of Great Britain, France, Belgium and Portugal were present.

The following cablegram from Gen. Diaz, Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Army was read:

"To the good ship Piave, christened by the noble American nation, after the river of the Italian victory and the whole Italian army fighting on its well-defined line and ready to move forward to fresh battle for the triumph of the common cause, the army sends its most heartfelt greetings."

"This ship is another link in the bond that guarantees that the war is to go on," said the Italian Ambassador. "It is the affirmation of our ideas and of our determination to win. All Italians are proud of this ship. In the name of my countrymen I thank you for the recognition which the name Piave implies. Our good wishes go to all her sister ships."